

# CULTURAL MARKETING PLAYBOOK



## 5 TRENDS SHAPING FILM & MEDIA STRATEGY IN 2025

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Why Culture Matters In today's entertainment landscape, cultural fluency is a strategic advantage.

Whether you're launching a film, docuseries, or streaming platform, these five trends will help your marketing resonate, not just reach.

# WHY IT MATTERS





# HYPER-NICHE IS THE NEW MAINSTREAM KEY

## Key Insight:

Micro-communities are more powerful than broad demos.

### CHECKLIST

- [ ] Research your audience's subcultures and passion points.
- [ ] Identify niche platforms or influencers they trust.
- [ ] Customize content to feel native to their world.

# TREND 1





# TREND 2

## AUTHENTIC REPRESENTATION OVER OPTICS

**Key Insight:** Lived experience matters more than optics.

### CHECKLIST

- [ ] Hire cultural consultants from the target audience.
- [ ] Avoid tokenism—collaborate authentically.
- [ ] Reflect community language, tone, and values.





# GLOBALIZATION, LOCALIZED



# TREND 3

## Key Insight:

Success comes from local relevance within global scale.

## CHECKLIST

- [ ] Localize copy and visuals for each key market.
- [ ] Activate campaigns around regional holidays/events.
- [ ] Adapt voice, humor, and references.



# REAL-TIME CULTURE MOVES FAST

**Key Insight:** Trends move at the speed of TikTok.

## CHECKLIST

- [ ] Monitor trending audio, memes, formats weekly.
- [ ] Give teams creative agility to respond quickly.
- [ ] Plan for reactive content, not just pre-approved assets.





# TRENDS



## VALUES DRIVE AFFINITY

**Key Insight:** Consumers align with brands that stand for something.

### CHECKLIST

- ☐ Define your brand's core cultural values.
- ☐ Partner with aligned organizations and advocates.
- ☐ Share behind-the-scenes efforts in sustainability, DEI, and access.



# PRO TIP



Marketing is no longer just about messaging—it's about meaning.

Lead with cultural intelligence and build deeper relationships.

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